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For: CREDIT CARD SYSTEM AND)
METHOD)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel Claim 1 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Claims 2-29 have been cancelled in the Request for Continuation/Divisional Application.

Kindly add new Claims 30-61 in the following manner.